



# Salem-Zion Mennonite Church

**“Jesus our help in storms”  
June 18, 2023**

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude – *Amazing Grace/Be Thou My Vision* (Edwin Excell) Mavis Ortman

Welcome Tim Eisenbeis

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship VT #877

Prayer

\* Hymn – *God of Our Strength* VT #47

\* Greeting each other

Children’s Story Diane Ellinger

Offering – Central Plains Mennonite Conference  
Offertory – *Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* (William Kirkpatrick)

## HEARING GOD’S WORD

Old Testament Reading Psalm 27

Hymn – *When the Storms of Life Are Raging* VT #595

\* Gospel Reading Matthew 14:22-33

Sermon – “Wind and Waves” Jerry Kroeker

## RESPONDING TO GOD

Sharing and Congregational Prayer Mary Mannes

\* Sending Song – *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* VT #610

\* Benediction

Postlude

## Church Calendar

Deadline for bulletin submissions is 8:30 p.m. Wednesday; salemzion@gwtc.net

### TODAY

We welcome Jerry Kroeker from Swan Lake Christian Camp to our pulpit today. We are delighted that you have decided to join us for worship, whether in person or online.

The offering that we are celebrating today is for **Central Plains Mennonite Conference**.

9:00am – Coffee/Fellowship time

9:30am – Summer Sunday School Series: LOFT "Living Our Faith Together"

10:30am – Worship Service

2:00pm – Fuente de Vida church service

### THIS WEEK

**June 19 (Mon)** – Board of Education meeting at 7:00pm

**June 19 (Mon)** – Day Camp 3 (Pre-K-2nd Grade) at SLCC

**June 20 (Tues)** – Congregation/Pastor Review Committee meeting at 7:00pm

**June 22 (Thurs)** – Serving at The Banquet in Sioux Falls

**June 23 (Fri)** – Fuente de Vida church service at 7:00pm

**June 24 (Sat)** – Morning Prayers with the Psalms (Psalms 31-40) at 7:30am

**June 24 (Sat)** – Memorial Service for Gerald Bartel at Salem-Zion. Visitation at 10am, followed by a service at 11am.

### NEXT SUNDAY – June 25

Next Sunday we continue our Summer of Psalms series. The focus of the morning will be “God’s Goodness and Greatness” and the featured Psalm will be Psalm 33. Pastor Corey will be preaching and we’ll hear some brief reflections on Central Plains Mennonite Conference.

Next week the offering is for the **Service and Mission Fund**.

### COMING EVENTS

**June 25** - Local Foods Celebration Potluck after church

**July 1** – Cheesepocket making for the MCC Sale at 9:00am

## Salem-Zion Prayer Requests & News

### Happenings over the past week:

- Corey, Nancy, Gwen, Charity, Marlan, John and Beth traveled to York, NE as delegates for our annual CPMC meeting.

### Remember to praise God for:

- the gift of rain last week and hopefulness of moisture this weekend. We give thanks to the God who “visits the earth and waters it, greatly enriching it.” (Psalms 65:9).

- Lacey Friesen and Kelsey Pidde, for their tireless leadership last week at our children's Bible School. We had a great time learning how we can "shine Jesus' light!"

**Remember to pray for:**

- those who cannot be here today: Paul & Darlene Engbrecht.
- our delegates as they attend Central Plains Mennonite Conference in York, NE this weekend. The big question that delegates will ponder and pray about is: "Where do we go from here?"
- former Conference Minister Tim Detweiler has been placed on hospice care in Washington, Iowa. Pray for Tim, Carol, and their family as they surround Tim with love and care during this time. The link to Tim's Caring Bridge is <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/timdetweiler>.

**Summer of Psalms continues:** We invite you to continue reading through the Psalms. This next week, we'll cover Psalms 31-40. Be looking for parts of these sacred prayers that resonate with your soul and inspire your faith. Join us on Saturday mornings for a special time of reading and praying these prayers together. Even if you can't meet in person, I encourage you to read along wherever you are at.

One of Salem-Zion's ministries, "**Caring and Sharing Meals**", offers us an opportunity to extend support to our fellow church members. Clara Graber came home from the hospital recently, and Clara and Cordell would be open to receiving some meals that are moderate in size (contact information: 605-925-7131; Clara's cell 605-359-6949).

**Local Foods Celebration Potluck**

June 25 - For next week's intergenerational Sunday School hour, we are celebrating local foods & seasonal eating. We are thrilled to have Dan and Megan EisenVos here to share about the urban garden they founded in Sioux Falls.

All are welcome to stay for a potluck after church. If possible, bring a main or side dish that features homegrown or locally sourced ingredients, or ingredients that are currently in season. Alternatively, consider bringing a recipe that holds a special family memory for you. You are encouraged to include a note about why you chose that dish or what seasonal ingredients were used. Berrybrook will be supplying ice cream for dessert!

Last month, there was a fire in the apartment of Sarah Martin's father and brother in Wells, MN. Therefore, they will be moving to Freeman and are looking for **housing** that will allow a dog. They will also be needing **furniture and appliances**--especially for kitchen and living room. If you have questions or can

help out in any way, Sarah's phone number is 507-380-6894. Sarah teaches Social Studies and Bible at Freeman Academy. Please keep this family in your prayers.

The nursery and church office will get a facelift with **new carpet and paint** this summer. Several Sunday School rooms will also be repainted. If you would like to help the trustees with this project please contact Orville for more details. We are hoping to get some volunteers! The Trustees

From Household Treasury: **if you make a purchase and charge it** to either of the local grocery stores or somewhere else, please let me know. Most of the time there is not a good enough description on the bill I get for me to figure out what the charge is for. Thanks so much. Lacey Friesen - treasurer

Who's hungry for **cheesepockets!**? Or more importantly, who wants to help make them? On July 1 at 9am will be the cheesepocket making day in preparation for the MCC Sale. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex. Come for a good time of fellowship and conversation while making cheesepockets for a good cause! Questions, contact Lacey Friesen.

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**Community Connections**

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Information about a special **Freeman Academy Constituent Assembly** in Pioneer Hall on Saturday, June 24, at 5:00pm is posted on the bulletin board.

**Praying for Peace:** "Young people say, 'What can one person do? What is the sense of our small effort?' They cannot see that we can only lay one brick at a time, take one step at a time; we can be responsible only for the one action of the present moment. But we can beg for an increase of love in our hearts that will vitalize and transform these actions, and know that God will take them and multiply them, as Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes." – Dorothy Day

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